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To: Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: N. KOFUJI et al (see attached)

For:  
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FABRICATING  
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES

Enclosed are:



4 Sheets of Drawings



This application is being filed without an executed Declaration.



Priority is claimed from Japanese Application No. 2001-206229  
filed July 6, 2001

☐ A certified copy is attached herewith.



Copies of the disclosure documents listed on the attached PTO 1449 form and  
☒ discussed in the specification or ☒ attached Information Disclosure Statement.



A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.



Specification: Abstract X, Description 23 pages; and 10 claim(s).



Preliminary Amendment.



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